

HAD THE AUDIENCE WITH HIM

Christian Missionary Had Little Show in Argument with Native Mollah.

As a medical missionary, stationed for 16 years in northwestern India, near the Afghanistan frontier, Dr. T. L. Pennell had his share of peril and adventure, which he has recounted in a volume entitled, "Among the Wild Tribes of the Afghan Border."

As a medical man, Dr. Pennell had his ups and downs with the native doctors, who sweat their patients and burn sores with lighted oil, but have no faith in western treatment. They also bleed and purge; but gradually the new-fangled treatment was accepted, and grateful converts were made at the Bannu dispensary.

As a missionary, Dr. Pennell had to contend with the mollahs, who are argumentative and great browbeaters; and very often, he confesses, he got the worst of it by verdict of the ragged crowd that hemmed in the theologians.

With a certain mollah, who regarded the Christian medicine-man as a rival, Dr. Pennell had an amusing encounter.

"Do you know," asked the mollah, "what becomes of the sun when it sets every day?"

The doctor gave the native circle the scientific explanation.

"Rubbish!" exclaimed the mollah. "We all know that the fires of hell are under the earth, and that the sun passes down every night, and therefore comes up blazing hot in the morning."

All Dr. Pennell's accounts of natural phenomena were ridiculed by the mollah. Then, turning to his people, he said, with contempt in his face and voice:

"It is evident that I shall have to teach him everything from the beginning."—Youth's Companion.

ORIGIN OF BRITISH SQUARE

Battle Formation First Used by Scotch Troops at the Battle of Bannockburn.

The greatest of all Scotch anniversaries is that of Bannockburn, fought on midsummer day in the year 1314. Apart from its bearing on the independence of Scotland, the battle will always have an exceptional interest from the military point of view, as Bannockburn may be said to have been the birthplace of the British square. "Proud Edward's" army mainly consisted of cavalry, while that of the Scots, on the other hand, was almost exclusively composed of foot-folk, armed with the spear, and these Bruce threw into "schiltroms," or oblong squares—a formation borrowed by Wallace from the Flemings, who had employed it with success at Courtray—to resist the charge of the English cavalry.

Hitherto the mounted mail-clad knight had carried everything before him, but Courtray and Bannockburn proved that he was powerless to break resolute, spear-armed infantry drawn up in "schiltrom" or hedge-hog formation, and these two battles revolutionized the tactics of the continent and of our own island. Profiting by the lesson which had been taught them at Bannockburn the English applied the tactics of the Scots with brilliant success at Crecy, and still more at Agincourt. As it was the Scots who may be said to have originated the British square at Bannockburn, so it was they again who at Balacava were the first to discard it with "their thin red line," and now, owing to our changed conditions of warfare, it is discarded altogether.

Duel with a Tiger

Three Jakuns (aborigines) and a Malay chanced to be together in the jungle in Johore when they came across a tiger. They were only armed with parangs, and the Malay, wisely deciding in favor of discretion, took to his heels. Not so the Jakuns, however; for they at once determined to give battle, not utilizing their numerical superiority, but in the most sportsman manner arranging for the combat in a series of duels, if necessary.

As might have been expected, the series was necessary, and the end was not long in coming. The first man who entered the fray missed his blow and was at once struck down, and the same fate befell his two comrades, all three being killed.—Singapore Free Press.

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"I can't say," replied paterfamilias enviously. "I have never tasted the white meat in my life. When I was young my parents ate it; now my children do."

Soldier's Odd Weapon.

A soldier named Pavlet was condemned to death by court-martial at Oran, France, the other day. He was charged with assaulting a corporal whilst on duty. During the hearing he threw at the president of the council a curious weapon made by himself, the blade of a pair of scissors fastened to a wooden handle. He was at once tried for this crime, and the death sentence pronounced.

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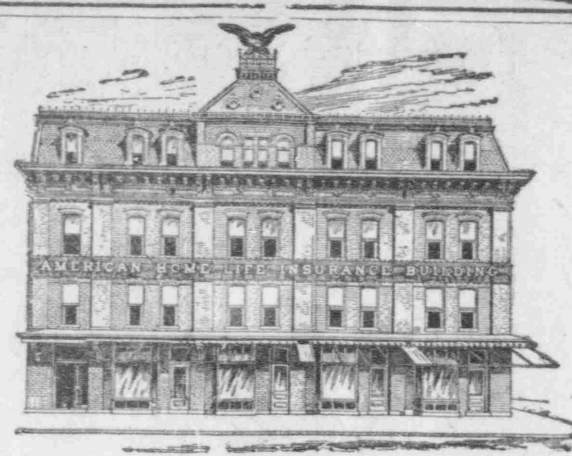
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VICTIM TELLS HOW LOCKJAW FELT

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"In diagnosing my own symptoms a week after the germs of tetanus had entered my blood, I thought I had the disease, but I was not sure," said Dr. Grundmann. "One day, as I was stepping off a street car, it started peremptorily and threw me on my knee on the street. A hole was ripped in my trousers, and a gash cut in the flesh of my knee, into which earth from the street was ground."

"It gave me no trouble, pained me very little and I gave it no further thought. About a week later I found that I had fever and that the muscles of my neck pained me and were constricted. Next I observed spasmodic jerking of the limbs. These I knew to be premonitory symptoms of lockjaw."

"I was alarmed, naturally, but thought perhaps I might be mistaken, so I visited a physician and told him how I felt. He did not think seriously of the matter, and I believed I might have been mistaken, but nevertheless I was worried, and when that night the symptoms grew more pronounced and became more perceptible I watched them all the more closely."

"That night I got a real shock. I observed a growing rigidity of the muscles of the jaws. If it kept on they would become locked beyond all hope of unlocking them."

"In one day I had 6,000 units, about a fluid ounce, of the serum injected. My jaws continued slowly to grow more rigid, but we fought the disease with the serum until at last we saw that we had the disease going the other way, and we fought it out."

"The germs of tetanus may be in any manner of dirt. If you have a wound in your finger and go out into the garden and stick it into the fresh earth you stand a chance of getting lockjaw."